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Atty. Dkt. No. 087714-0113

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Thyagarajan SRIKANATHA et al.  
Title: CANDIDA ALBICANS TWO-COMPONENT HYBRID KINASE GENE, CANIK1, AND USE THEREOF  
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**AMENDMENT AND RECEIPT OF DEPOSIT OF MICROORGANISMS  
UNDER THE BUDAPEST TREATY**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action, Applicants request that the specification be amended as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

On page 1, on the line immediately beneath the title, please insert:

--This application describes microorganisms that have been deposited, in accordance with the Budapest Treaty, under ATCC Patent Deposit Designation: PTA-4456, with the following Deposit Identification Reference: Bacteriophage lambda EMBL3: Ca lambda 15.1.--

**REMARKS**

The present invention relates to microorganisms. In accordance with the Examiner's recommendation, Applicants have amended the specification to incorporate the ATCC strain number in reference to the bacteriophage.

The Examiner rejected claim 20 under 35 USC § 112, first paragraph, because evidence of a biological deposit was not provided. Applicants' attorney of record has attached a statement attesting to the deposit in accordance with the Budapest Treaty.

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Applicants now submit that the application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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